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Subject: Re: item for next TCT
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Thanks. This is helpful, and I've passed on your concerns regarding the sturgeon health assessment to Mr. Buck.

Blischke.Eric@epamail.epa.gov wrote:

> It's starting to come back to me now. After the LWG sent the outline of
> their approach, there was some back and forth between Burt and John
> Toll. Ultimately, we sent a letter dated July 1, 2008 that agreed to
> the approach with the following clarifications:

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> 1) The evaluation should consider effects on survival growth and
> reproduction. EPA believes that even if lamprey are not reproducing
> within the Portland Harbor site, they still may suffer reproductive
> effects due to site exposures. In addition, EPA believes that
> reproduction may serve as a surrogate for other effects related to
> survival and growth.
> 2) The evaluation of the relative sensitivity may be performed as part
> of the uncertainty section of the BERA. However, the goal of this
> evaluation should not be "to argue that a higher SSD percentile is
> protective of ammocoetes at the organism level." Rather the evaluation
> should be an unbiased assessment of the relative sensitivity of lamprey
> ammocoetes.
> 3) EPA agrees that the results of the upstream ammocoetes may be used,
> in conjunction other information (e.g., chemistry and surface water
> data), to evaluate the contribution of background levels of
> contamination to the observed ammocoete tissue levels.

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> Let me know if you have any other questions and ask Jeremy why he has
> not reviewed, tabulated and otherwise assessed the results of the
> sturgeon health assessment submitted to us way back in May 2007.

> Eric

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> After y'all directed LWG to assess them at the individual level, they
> sent back a response with a description of how they intended to assess
> them as directed, so the question is did y'all ever respond to them and
> did you have any concerns about their proposed approach. I think Yakama
> and the 5 tribes sent a letter to you with outlining some concerns over
> LWG's proposal for assessment at the individual level so we're trying to
> figure out if those have been addressed. Does that help?

> -R

> Blischke.Eric@epamail.epa.gov wrote:

>> Rob, I am not sure what you are referring to. The LWG will be
>> evaluating lamprey at the individual level if that is what you mean.

>> Eric

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>> Hey Man -- good seeing you last night. I'm at the trustee council
>> meeting and they're all asking me (especially Jeremy) about the status
>> of lamprey assessment in the BERA and EPA's response to LWG and I have
>> no idea. I'm also guessing that other issues have probably pushed this
>> off the front burner for now. In any case, can we talk about it at the
>> next TCT?
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>> Thanks,
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>> -R
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